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
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TO: Each Supervisor

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Director and Health Officer

Ellen Eidem, MS 
Director, Office of Women's Health

SUBJECT: UPDATE – 2007 WOMEN'S HEALTH POLICY SUMMIT

This is to provide you as Honorary Chairs and Co-Chairs with a summary of the activities to date regarding the 2007 Women's Health Policy Summit to be held on Thursday, May 24, 2007 at the Sheraton Los Angeles Downtown Hotel.

It promises to be a productive and inspiring day. The theme of the Summit is **Building Multicultural Women's Health: Setting an Agenda for Los Angeles**. The goals are to identify issues and potential solutions and to provide a forum for action and policy opportunities.

A Planning Committee consisting of 53 county and community leaders (list attached) met and made recommendations on the theme, format, workgroups and speakers.

The all-day event will include:

- 11 different morning and afternoon breakout sessions to discuss issues, identify gaps and develop action-oriented, short-term measurable recommendations. These recommendations will be reported to the Listening Panel and published in a report.
- A morning panel discussion on "Achieving Equitable Health;"
- A prominent keynote speaker;
- An afternoon Listening Panel of funders, policymakers, and key stakeholders;
- Posters on promising practices will be solicited from community agencies with innovative methods on improving women's health. The posters will be displayed at the Summit and an award presented at the reception for the most promising.

- A 10 minute video that explores the Summit theme of building multicultural health will feature leading experts discussing key issues, upcoming trends, and recommendations. It will be shown on a continuous loop during registration and featured at the luncheon.
- In advance of the Summit, a special issue of *LA Health* is being developed, reporting on the status of women's health in Los Angeles, including data, graphs, trends, analyses, and interviews with experts in the selected fields. The report will address progress over the last 10 years, current gaps, and what to expect for the future.

Please see the attached summary containing the Summit format, workgroup topics, and recommended speakers. We are in the process of securing funding and have received one third of the budget to date.

Further updates will be provided as the event nears. If you would like to send a representative to the next planning committee meeting, we would be delighted. It is scheduled for Wednesday, January 17 from 8:30 -10 a.m. at the Metroplex, 3530 Wilshire Boulevard, 8th floor conference room, Los Angeles 90010. Your staff may RSVP at 626-569-3806.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact either of us.

We appreciate your support and look forward to your participation at the 2007 Women's Health Policy Summit.

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Attachments

c: Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

2007 Women's Health Policy Summit

Theme: Building Multicultural Women's Health: Setting an Agenda for Los Angeles

Date: Thursday, May 24, 2007

Time: 8:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Location: The Hotel Sheraton Los Angeles Downtown

Honorary Chairs: Los Angeles County Supervisors Yvonne Burke and Gloria Molina

Honorary Co-Chairs: Supervisors Antonovich, Knabe and Yaroslavsky. Other key state and local legislators are also being invited to serve.

Speakers: Based on recommendations from the Planning Committee, the following speakers are being invited:

Morning Panel: Achieving Equitable Health

- Dr. Diana Bonta, VP Public Affairs, Kaiser Permanente – Moderator
- Gail Christopher: VP for Health, Women & Families, Joint Center for Political & Economic Studies.
- Antonia Hernandez, President, California Community Foundation

Luncheon Keynote:

- Vivian Pinn, MD, Director, NIH Office on Women's Health Research

Listening Panel: Federal, State, and Local legislators, policymakers and funders

Call to Action:

Juanita Watts, MD, Regional Coordinator for Women's Health, Southern California Permanente Group

Reception:

Sandra Tsing Loh, The Loh Life and The Loh Down on Science programs on KPCC radio; musician, performer, author

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Video:

The Summit video will be a 10 minute video that explores the Summit theme of building multicultural health. It will feature short, in-person interviews with experts and focus more broadly on the trends in multicultural women's health.

Health Report:

A report is being developed on the status of women's health in Los Angeles, including data, graphs, trends, analyses, and interviews with experts in the selected fields. The report will address progress over the last 10 years, current gaps, and what to expect for the future. It will be distributed at the Summit and mailed to key stakeholders.

Promising Practices Poster Sessions:

Posters will be solicited from community agencies with innovative methods on improving women's health. The posters will be displayed at the Summit.

Breakout Workgroups

1. Healthy Aging & the Social Determinants of Health
2. Reproductive Health & the Environment
3. Universal Healthcare & Women's Health
4. Adolescent Sexuality & Healthy Relationships
5. Immigrant Women & Health
6. Violence & Health
7. Racism, Stress & Health
8. Cardiovascular Disease & Co-factors (poverty, diet, access, etc.)
9. Healthy Lifestyles & Chronic Disease Prevention
10. Disability, Sexuality and Reproductive Health
11. Sexual Orientation & Gender Identity

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Format:

8:00am	Registration, healthy continental breakfast, view posters on promising practices, video played on continuous loop
8:30am	Welcoming Remarks
9:00 -10:00	Morning Panel: Topic: Achieving Equitable Health
10:00 - 10:15	Stretch/Break
10:15 - 12 noon	Breakout sessions (presentations & discussion of issues)
12:00 -12:30pm	Break/Networking/view promising practice posters
12:30 – 1:30pm	Luncheon, Video and Keynote Speaker
1:30 - 2:50pm	Breakout Sessions - return to same workgroup to formulate recommendations.
3:00 - 4:30pm	Listening Panel - to hear the recommendations from the workgroup facilitators.
4:30 - 4:45pm	Call to Action
4:45 - 5:30pm	Closing reception/poster winners

**2007 WOMEN'S HEALTH POLICY SUMMIT
PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Name	Title	Organization
1. Aragon, Linda, M.P.H.	Acting Director	LA County Tobacco Control Program
2. Arguello, Martha	Director, Health & Environmental Programs	Physicians For Social Responsibility
3. Ashing-Giwa, Kimlin, Ph.D.	Director, C.A.R.E.	City of Hope
4. Beckett, Merritt	Health Educator	LA County Office of Women's Health
5. Cho, Namju	Director of Communications & Policy	California Community Foundation
6. Cordoba, Rocio L.	Executive Director	California Latinos For Reproductive Justice
7. Crawford, Crystal, Esq.	Executive Director	California Black Women's Health Project
8. Davis, Cynthia, MPH	Program Director	Charles Drew University
9. Diaz, Lupe Alonzo	Executive Director	Latina Coalition for a Healthy California
10. Dixon, Alicia	Interim Senior Program Officer	The California Endowment
11. Drew Ivie, Sylvia, J.D.	Consultant	The California Endowment
12. Eidem, Ellen	Director	LA County Office of Women's Health
13. Fites Seigle, Margie	Executive Director	California Family Health Council
14. Farias, Elena, Ph.D.	Program Director/Adult Outpatient Programs	Augustus F. Hawkins Mental Health Center
15. Fogel, Susan, JD	Consultant	
16. Franco, Marisol	Policy Analyst	Community Health Councils
17. Geller, Michelle L., M.D.	Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine	Harbor-UCLA Medical Center/LA BioMed
18. Guerry, Sarah, MD, MPH	Medical Director	LA County STD Program
19. Harding, Cynthia, M.P.H.	Director	LA County Dept. of Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health

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20. Iwataki, Miya	Director	LA County Office of Diversity
21. Jemmott, Fran	CEO	Jemmott-Rollins Group
22. Judelson, Debra, R., M.D.	Medical Director/Sr. Partner	Women's Heart Institute/ Cardiovascular Medical Group of Southern California
23. Kagawa-Singer, Marjorie, PhD, RN, MN	Associate Professor	UCLA School of Public Health
24. Keitel, Cindy	Vice President	Complete Medical Communications
25. Keller, Claudia	Executive Director	American Heart Association
26. Kersey, Lynn	Executive Director	Mental Health Clinical Program
27. Khan, Surina	Interim Vice President of Programs	Women's Foundation of California
28. Kiger, Holly, RN, MN	Director of Health Services	Center for Healthy Aging
29. Kurz, Alan, M.D.	Area Medical Director	LA County Dept. of Health Services, Service Planning Areas 3 & 4
30. Lee, Donzella	Interim Executive Director	T.H.E. Clinic
31. Lesser, Charlotte	President and Commissioner	Los Angeles County Commission for Women
32. Long, Anna	Chief of Staff	LA County Public Health Programs & Services
33. Marques, Magaly	Executive Director	Pacific Institute for Women's Health
34. Michelin, Rachel	Executive Director/CEO	CeWaer
35. Moreno, Alva	Executive Director	East LA Women's Center
36. Nelson, Anita, M.D.	Chief, Women's Healthcare Program	Harbor/UCLA Medical Center
37. Perez, Mario	Director, Preventive Services	LA County Office of AIDS Programs & Policy
38. Pregler, Janet, M.D.	Director	UCLA National Cancer of Excellence in Women's Health

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39. Rabinovitz, Susan, MPH	Associate Director, Adolescent Medicine	Children's Hospital
40. Reyes, Carolina, MD	Executive Director	LA Best Babies
41. Rideout, Phyllis, PhD	Assoc. Dir. Of Admin. & Education	USC/Norris Comprehensive Cancer Center
42. Robinson-Flint, Janette	Executive Director	Black Women For Wellness
43. Rodriguez, Gloria, MPH	CEO	Community Clinic Association
44. Romero, Mary	Executive Director	Hispanic Outreach Taskforce
45. Schwerin, Barbara Ullman, Esq.	Deputy Director, Community Programs	Disability Rights Legal Center
46. Schneider, Diana Cafaro, M.D.	Geriatrician/Medical Director	Violence Intervention Program, USC
47. Singhal, Rita, MD	Medical Director	LA County Office of Women's Health
48. Smith, Margaret Farwell	Consultant	Farwell Associates
49. Solis, Beatriz, MPH	Consultant	
50. St. John, Jessica	Special Projects Manager	LA County Office of Women's Health
51. Vera, Yolanda	Director	LA Health Action
52. Wagle, Mary Jane	President/CEO	Planned Parenthood of LA
53. Watts, Juanita M.D.	Regional Coordinator for Women's Health	Southern California Permanente Group
54. Yonekura, Margaret L., M.D.	Professor, Clinical Ob-Gyn., UCLA	California Hospital Medical Center